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THE SCHOOL FARM.

To take the idle youth off the streets and put him to work in the summer time on a model farm, where he can learn to make things grow under expert supervision and combine in vacation time pleasure, outdoor life and education of the most valuable kind—that is the aim which is revolutionizing educational systems all over the country and the idea which progressive Albuquerque has taken up. President Hickey of the city school board has taken a leading part in bringing about this innovation in the schools here, with the assistance and co-operation of the board and the school officials, and it has gone far enough now so that there is no doubt whatever of its success. The land is available, also the expert instruction, the parents and teachers are enthusiastic and all that remains is to formally launch the enterprise.

The great benefits and the far-reaching possibilities for good of this plan are so patent that there really seems little room for argument. There are a good many men who would give a tidy little sum to have acquired in their youth the rudiments of successful agriculture and successful business which a schoolboy can pick up in a summer under the plan proposed. And it isn't an experiment—it has been tried in many places and it has never proved a failure when properly tried. The execution of this plan will put Albuquerque right in the van of progress educationally. If we put it through and make it a winter and then advertise a little it will do Albuquerque a tremendous amount of good outside.

With a county high school and a school farm joining up, in addition to the newest and best high school building in the southwest, with a better percentage of increase in school enrollment than any other county in the state, with more money spent for modern buildings in the rural districts in the past two years than in any other county, Albuquerque and Bernalillo county are setting the pace educationally.

When you come to consider the University of New Mexico, entering upon its period of highest usefulness, one of the largest and most successful Indian schools in the government service, business college, and half a dozen expensive, successful and flourishing sectarian institutions, we will back Albuquerque educationally against any other city of her size and twice her size in the Rocky mountain region.

A GOVERNORS CONFERENCE.

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Exchange of ideas is always stimulating and invigorating. There are great tasks to be accomplished in Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona under identical or nearly similar conditions, similar problems to solve, similar methods of development to be perfected.

And we know it won't hurt the governor of New Mexico to get all the kindly counsel, advice and suggestions available for the administration of affairs in New Mexico.

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English idea that native sagacity was to be found in its perfection in alliance with a profile of pronounced conceit, but now the fat man has no defenders. The medical man denounces him. The tailor only makes him a sun visor protest. The novelist gives him no quarter. The dramatist will allow him no true benevolent parts; he is only introduced to look foolish. The other economist adopts him as a type of the capitalist. Even the socialist—economist makes him the subject of crude jests.

When then, ye fat men and moon. The thin man, the Living Skeleton, the Human Fath, the Animated Beanstalk has come into his own.

SHIRTS ON TREES.

The increasing expenditures of existence has stimulated the devotees of science to a world-wide, extensive and intensive search for natural expedients whereby to combat this high living cost. Some remarkable results have been achieved; some depressing and some encouraging. Attempts to transplant the bread-fruit tree, the apple-peach, the sandless ham sandwich vine and the night-blooming vegetable hot tamale have met with varying degrees of success, but a new departure is the investigation of the clothing possibilities of the world's flora. That we may yet become independent of the blighting sheep, dependent himself on the whomps and caprices of the tariff tinkers is indicated by the discovery that already the sad "Song of the Shirt" does not apply to all parts of the world and that it is not beyond the limit of mundane possibility that in years to come we may amble gayly out into the garden and pluck a dress out of a tree in the wardrobe or chard.

In the forests of Orinoco, situated on the slope of New Granada, nature has provided what serves as a ready-made shirt for the natives. It is obtained from the marica tree, a species of tropical palm, which has a thin, fibrous red bark. When a native wants a shirt he simply cuts a piece of one of these trees about 18 inches in diameter, and takes off the bark, managing so as not to cut it in any way, and thus obtains a hollow cylinder of flexible bark, somewhat resembling a rough sack without any bottom. He then makes a small slit in each side for his arms to go through and puts it on. It is only during the rainy season, however, that natives conform to the requirements of civilization sufficiently to wear garments of any description.

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JABS**IN THE SOLAR PLEXUS
BY YON YONSON.**

An Antithesis.
When Kevin comes home from the barbers.

Although he no longer is young, one cheek is as soft as his heart it. And the other as smooth as his tongue.

—Richard Hovey.

When I've finished using my safety.

Although I'm not an exquisite, one cheek is as rough as a bear. And the other like Barnum's.

—Birmingham Age-Herald.

When Willie comes home from the barber.

With a cowlick all plastered and scented.

We set him out in the grape-arbor. Let the smell drive the family demented.

—S. C. S.

And now we see the teams aligned, Folks daily ask: "Has Southpaw signed?"

"Has Singfat quit?" "Has Steggen jumped?"

There are the questions at us pumped.

The times are filled with vague unrest.

Each team of course desires the best.

Put us for us, no peace will find until our favorite have signed.

—Grim and Groan.

ONE THING you can say for the typewriter it never fails to do an iron cross at.

WE WILT, indeed, however, that sometimes the spelling of the new-fangled machines is execrable.

A STREAK of yellow is all right in a gold mine.

—S.

YUM YUM.

The interest on a borrowed kiss.

Four kisses more will be.

We like transactions such as this.

Delightful morsels.

—Linen to Em.

They say that in magazine circles a "black number" now is anything that has been out more than twenty minutes.

—F.

IF MR. PINDELL hadn't got cold feet here he would certainly have required them in St. Petersburg.

A PEDESTRIAN, the court rules is not compelled to dodge automobiles. Immediately they try to start a scandal to the effect that the court is under the influence of the undertakers' trust.

—S.

COLD'S ARE contracted by illness, says an "expert" on pneumonia, where are thy terror?

—S.

AFTER the interlocking directorate, the l-t-step.

—S.

If you didn't go to the Auto Show last night, all we have to say is Pish, Tush, Tim and Pie.

—S.

WHAT'S THE use bothering about the Japanese war scare so long as

the Japanese war